

IDAHO PLUMBING BOARD MEETING

Monday – August 18, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.

Division of Building Safety
Templins Red Lion
414 E. First Avenue, Post Falls

NOTE: The following report is not intended to be verbatim transcript of the discussions at the meeting, but is intended to record the significant features of those discussions.

The meeting was called to order by Administrator Kelly Pearce at 10:03 a.m. on Monday, August 18, 2008.

Board Members Present:

Ron Loveland
Milford Terrell
Gordon Smythe
Dan Long

DBS Staff Members:

Kelly Pearce, Administrator
Patrick Grace, Deputy Attorney General
Steve Keys, Deputy Administrator, Operations
Kirk Weiskircher, Financial Specialist, Principal
Carl Lohrengel, Plumbing/HVAC Bureau Chief
Rod Freligh, Plumbing HVAC Supervisor
Mart Meyer, Plumbing/HVAC Inspector
Chuck Knapp, Plumbing HVAC Inspector
Brandee Pasborg, Office Specialist 2

Administrator Kelly Pearce introduced the newest Plumbing Board member, Daniel Long.

♦ Election of Chairman

MOTION: Milford Terrell made a motion to elect Ron Loveland as the Chairman of the Idaho Plumbing Board. Dan Long seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

ACTION: Per the Board's request, Patrick Grace to research the Board's authority to elect a vice-chairman.

♦ Open Forum

Open Board Member Seats – Charles Oakland shared his concerns for the open seat on the Board.

♦ Approval of the June 20, 2008 Minutes and approval of the August 18, 2008 Agenda

MOTION: Milford Terrell made a motion to accept the June 20, 2008 Plumbing Board Meeting Minutes as presented and the August 18, 2008 Agenda with the following modifications: The Financial Report moved to the Administrator's Report and agenda items 4-11, with the exception of the Bureau Chief's Report and Administrator's Report, moved under the Action Agenda. Dan Long seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

♦ Administrator's Report

Financial Report – Kirk Weiskircher reviewed the Financial Report for the ending fiscal year 2008.

Economy – After traveling through 11 local jurisdictions throughout the Eastern part of the State and meeting with city and county officials, it is anticipated that the construction industry will take a couple of years before there is any significant financial turn around. Three highlighted areas are: Bonneville County (Ariva), Montpelier (modular plant), and several proposed new companies in Bannock County.

CAS – It is projected the first part of 2009 CAS will be available to the industry. The Division will sponsor training sessions throughout the State.

Floods – The Division was contacted by the State of Iowa's Homeland Security. Two Safety Advisors were sent to aid in identifying inhabitable residential and commercial properties caused by the recent floods in Iowa.

◆ **Restrictions for Home Inspectors**

The North Idaho Building Contractors Association (NIBCA) addressed concerns that home inspectors are not citing code related or structural related items.

The Board unanimously consented to supporting NICBA in the development of a bill requiring home inspectors to have ICBO inspector credentials.

◆ **Request for Administrative Appeals Hearing (If needed)**

No appeals.

◆ **Schedule 2009 Meetings**

The 2009 Plumbing Board meeting dates are as follows: February 25th, 9 a.m.–Meridian; May 12th, 9 a.m.–Twin Falls; July 30th, 10 a.m.–Post Falls and October 16th, 9 a.m.–Meridian.

MOTION: Milford Terrell made a motion to approve the scheduled 2009 Plumbing Board meeting dates. Dan Long seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Bureau Chief's Report**

Carl Lohrengel reviewed the ICES/GITS Plumbing Exam Summary, Journeyman First Exam Attempts and Notice of Violations/Civil Penalty Reports.

ACTION: Carl Lohrengel to contact local inspectors to see if waterless urinals were permitted at Firebird Raceway.

◆ **New Fee Schedule**

The Division made changes to the new fee schedule; adding grey water systems, reclaimed water systems and revised number of inspections for homes over 4500 square feet.

MOTION: Milford Terrell made a motion to approve the revised fee schedule. Gordon Smythe seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Non-Licensed Contractors Soliciting Plumbing Services**

The Board reviewed the draft rule penalizing non-licensed contractors soliciting plumbing services.

MOTION: Gordon Smythe made a motion to accept the draft language. Dan Long seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

◆ **Residential Journeyman License**

This proposal is to amend the Plumbing statutes (54-2611 to 54-2619) and the Plumbing rules (IDAPA 07.02.05) in that they would provide for a new classification of plumbing competency entitled “Residential Enforcement Plumber”.

MOTION: Milford Terrell makes a motion to accept the draft language as written and open it up for public discussion. Motion dies for lack of second.

◆ **Waterless Urinals**

The proposed legislation is to amend the plumbing rules (IDAPA 07.02.06) in order to provide for installation standards for non-water urinals.

MOTION: Gordon Smythe made a motion to accept the draft language as written. Motion dies for lack of second.

◆ **Continuing Education**

No action taken by the Board at this time.

◆ **Required Inspections**

The proposal before the Board is to amend the plumbing rules (IDAPA 07.02.04) in order to provide for a single inspection sticker to be used by DBS inspectors in favor of the multiple colors of inspection stickers currently being used.

MOTION: Gordon Smythe made a motion to accept the draft language. Motion dies for lack of second.

◆ **New/Old Business**

Concerns were addressed about the schooling enrollments being down 33% overall in the Plumbing, HVAC, and Electrical trades.

MOTION: Gordon Smythe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dan Long seconded. The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

RON LOVELAND, CHAIRMAN
PLUMBING BOARD

C. KELLY PEARCE, ADMINISTRATOR
DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

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